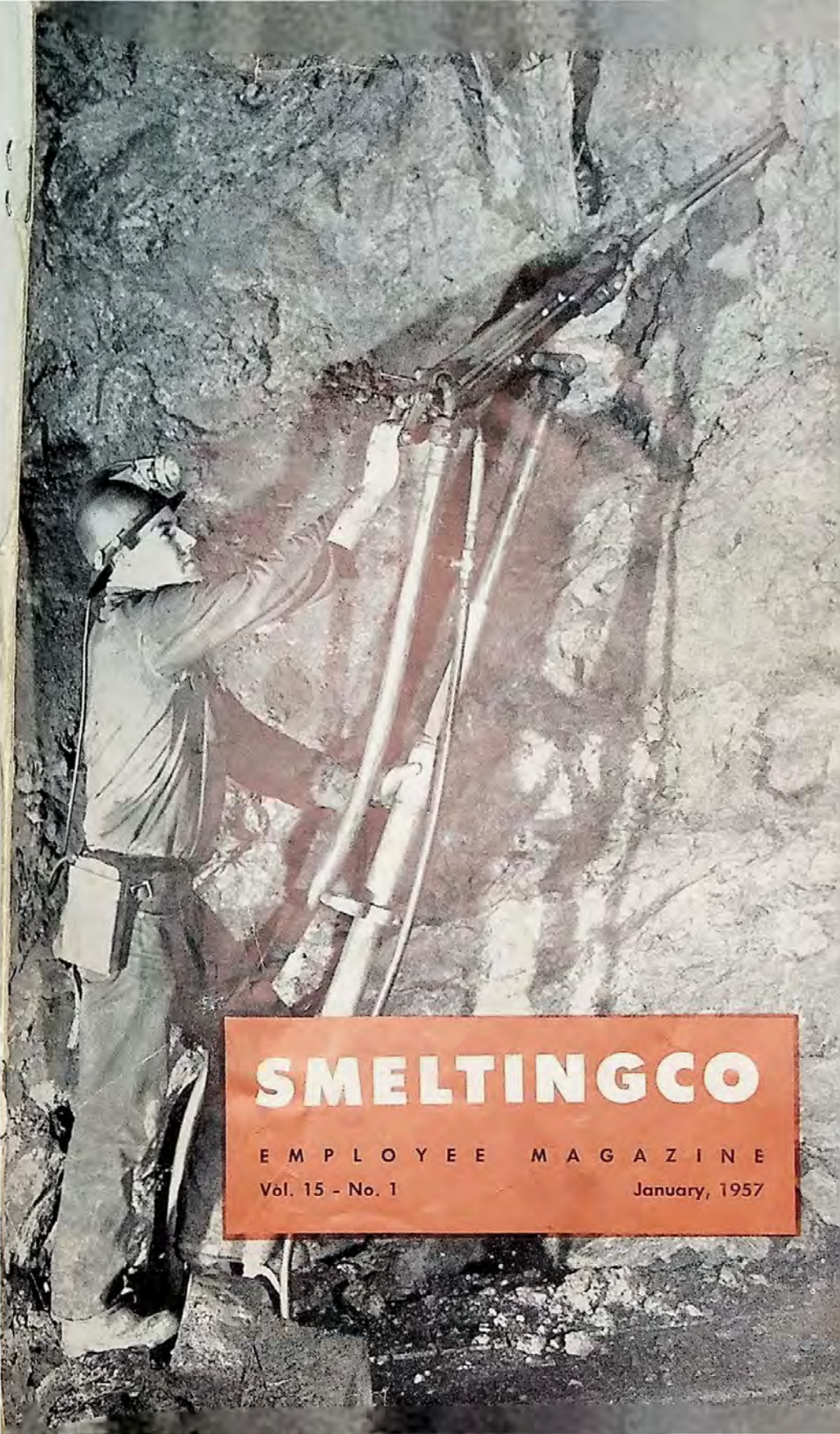

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A Moral Code

Benjamin Franklin, the great American philosopher and statesman, drew up a moral code strictly for his own use and he adhered closely to these principles throughout his life. Although this code was penned two hundred years ago, it still offers a good standard for living in this modern day and age. The following are Franklin's nine points for a successful, happy life.

TEMPERANCE — Eat not to fullness; drink not to elevation.

SILENCE — Speak not but what will benefit others or yourself.

ORDER — Let all things have their places.

RESOLUTION — Perform without fail what you resolve.

FRUGALITY — Make no expense; do good unto others as yourself. Waste nothing.

INDUSTRY — Lose no time. Be always employed but avoid all unnecessary action.

JUSTICE — Wrong no one by doing him injury.

CLEANLINESS — Suffer no uncleanliness of body, clothes or habitation.

TRANQUILITY — Be not disturbed about trifles.

THIS MONTH'S COVER

Our cover this month shows Weldon Van Tassell, a machiner at the U. S. and Lark Mine, drilling a hole for a roof bolt in a stope at the Lark Section.

LET'S STOP GOVERNMENT WASTE!

By CLARENCE FRANCIS

This is the first of six articles which deal with the problem of waste and confusion in our federal government. It is the story of how the bipartisan Hoover Commission attacked this problem. But the tale is not complete. *You* are missing from this story. Here is how you can help reduce your tax bill and strengthen our country.

YOU CAN HELP STOP GOVERNMENT WASTE!

Your Stake in Efficient Government

To the average citizen the federal government was once a faraway thing, of no great concern to the individual. Today we live in the age of a "Big Government" whose every act affects our personal destinies.

Our government has grown four-fold in size and ten-fold in cost in the last twenty years. No nation on earth has ever borne the staggering burdens which we carry today in our new role of world leader in the struggle for peace and freedom.

Democrats and Republicans have long agreed on one thing: "Big Government must be kept within bounds. That is why every single member of Congress voted for creation of the first Hoover Commission (in 1947 under the Truman Administration) and the second Hoover Commission (in 1953 under President Eisenhower) to get the facts.

This is the story of the second Commission, headed by former President Herbert Hoover and including such outstanding citizens as James A. Farley and Joseph P. Kennedy; its two-year, impartial study of every aspect of the government; and its 3.3 million-word report to Congress showing ways of cutting out over $5 billion a year in federal costs while actually improving governmental efficiency.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Clarence Francis started "at the bottom," rose to the Chairmanship of the General Foods Corporation. He has long devoted his efforts to education, health, and civic projects. As National Chairman of the Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report, he heads a voluntary, non-political organization of citizens interested in, and willing to work for, "better government at a better price."

But what is your stake in efficient government? Grant that the federal government is too big and too wasteful? What can be done about it?

Your Tax Bill and Government Waste

Many Americans think their taxes are too high. But though taxes are felt most around April 15, they are even higher than the income tax returns show. All of us pay indirect or "hidden" taxes. We don't notice them, because they are included in the price of many of the things which we buy.

For example, ten cents of each dollar spent to see a movie is tax money. The same goes for light bulbs, radio tubes, cameras, film, jewelry, luggage, telephone calls, sporting goods and many other items. A federal tax is included in the price of gasoline and fuel oil. In fact, almost everything we buy is taxed because most manufacturers pay federal taxes which are passed on in the prices of their products.

Let's take an average family of four. The head of this family, according to a recent study, earned $3,400 to $4,000 yearly. He paid about $300 in income taxes — and

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Mrs. V. J. Baughman
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Copperton, UT 84006

Lynn Sandstrom, Henry Smith and Delbert Page "getting a bite to eat" in the lunch room at the U. S. and Lark Mine shops.

Lunchpail

A lot of books have been written about the eating habits of Americans, by authors from Duncan Hines to Emily Post. These experts have covered correct table manners, the proper preparation of food and have even catalogued the most exclusive eating places in the country.

But what these specialists have not portrayed is the industrial worker on his job — the man, who, to keep the wheels of industry turning, packs his lunch and takes only a short break away from his post to eat. Yet, American ingenuity is never to be outdone, and the man on the job is continually coming up with new ideas to make that bite of lunch more appetizing. The lunch period is also a favorite time for that "bull session" when the men relax while eating and discuss everything from current events to the show they saw on TV the night before.

Let's take a look at a typical lunch period at our Company's Midvale Plant or U. S. and Lark Mine. You're apt to see lunches brought from home in plain paper bags or gaily printed sacks salvaged from purchases made at local department stores or more often the lunch is carried in a sturdy metal lunch bucket complete with a thermos bottle for hot drinks or soup, and plastic containers for protecting and preserving freshness of sandwiches, pie or some of the fruit the wife put up last summer.

At the Midvale Plant, you are apt to spot some fancy innovations

Bill Musser relaxes while enjoying a beaker of hot soup which he prepared in the Assay lab.

Gerald Jorgensen, Robert Lancaster, and Albert Twombly eating their lunches on pieces of lagging in the mine.

Tom Starkovich chooses soda pop, John DeCisto, coffee, and Carl Serdar, milk, as they eat in the Lead Plant lunchroom.

for making a sandwich taste better. Old electric toasters and sandwich grills, salvaged from scrap or brought from home, find a place in many lunch rooms at the Plant. You might see coffee being perked over an old hot plate. Soda pop dispensers in many of the lunch rooms are especially popular during lunch, and many of the men top off their food from home with a candy bar from the vending machines.

On certain occasions in some of the departments at the Plant, the fellows pool their resources to come up with something special for lunch. Like the time last spring when one of the men in the Flotation Mill crushing plant brought venison steaks from his frozen food locker and prepared them during the lunch period for his fellow workers.

In the assay office at Midvale, the burners and furnaces close at hand make it a "snap" when it comes to fixing a hot lunch. What more could you ask on a cold wintry day than to open a can of soup, dump it in a glass beaker and heat it over the burner. The assay office crew also enjoy group lunches on occasions. In the cold of winter

Rawleigh Anderson and Albert Slama, hauling a load of timber, stop to eat lunch in a drift.

Wilford Crane, hoistman at 5728 incline, takes time out for lunch and some home canned peaches.

Albert Ross, Mel Christopherson and Bertie Thomas gather together in the blacksmith shop at the mine for lunch and a bull session.

Lunchpail

some member of the crew may bring a pot of chili from home, heat it at lunch and share it with the gang. Or in the heat of summer, it may be ice cream that is brought from home and packed in ice to keep it just right till lunch time.

At the U. S. and Lark Mine, the men working underground take their lunches directly to their working place, and when "dinner time" rolls around, benches hastily take shape as pieces of lagging are propped against powder boxes, blocks of timber, or whatever may be at hand. In many stopes or drifts in the mine the men have a "favorite" eating place to which they return each day. They, too, indulge in bull sessions, telling about the fish that got away, that four-point buck they bagged, or the Gene Fullmer fight. Several underground workers, like repair crews or motormen, are never certain just where lunch time will find them. For this reason they carry their lunches with them as part

Ray Nelson and Francis LeFevre, in the Surface Department lunch room, enjoy toasted sandwiches.

Mine Foreman, Art Blain, does some of his "book work" while eating his lunch.

Harold Shaw and Larry Wells giving a pot of home made chili the taste test.

Lindy Olson selects a bottle of "pop" to eat with his lunch.

of their equipment. These men may join a different group each day for lunch.

You're apt to see more than one foreman at the mine in his doghouse during lunch, with a sandwich in one hand and a pencil in the other, doing some of his "book work" while catching a bite to eat.

The new shop building at Lark has a lunch room for the shop crews. Yet, many of these men prefer to gather in small groups for lunch near the blacksmith forge or the lathe or perhaps in the electrical shop.

There's an old saying that an army travels on its stomach. This same idea holds true in our modern industry, and the American worker is convinced that a good meal leads to a good work day. The men pictured on these pages might be drawn from any lunch hour, any day, at any place in the mine, mill or smelter, as they pause to refresh before continuing their day's work.

It's hot soup and crackers on the menu for Alton Huffaker and Ed Norman.

Bill Naylor, boiler shop helper at Midvale, tops off his lunch with a candy bar.

SAFETY SCOREBOARD

Hanging on the walls of the Personnel Office reception room at the U. S. and Lark Mine and on the walls in the main hall at the Midvale Plant office, you can see several plaques and framed certificates. These certificates are awards which *you* have helped helped to win in the years since 1941 for outstanding safety performance. The mine has a total of eight certificates from the Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association — five issued to the U. S. Section, two to the Lark Section and one to the combined sections. In addition, one certificate of honor has been awarded by the National Safety Council. The Midvale Plant has received two Joseph A. Holmes safety citations.

Looking over the safety record for 1956, the men at the Midvale Plant and the U. S. Fuel Company's King Mine should be congratulated for their outstanding accomplishments in safety. Midvale Plant experienced its best frequency rate ever, slightly bettering the previous record made in 1954.

During 1956, King Mine established one of its best safety records, from a standpoint of both frequency and severity. The frequency for 1956 is a reduction of 59% over 1955. The U. S. and Lark Mine did not fare too well in safety during 1956 and the record for the year is not as good as that for some prior years.

During 1956, only one lost time accident occurred at the Midvale Plant and the injured man was off only six days. During the year 895,018¾ man-hours were worked. The result was an accident frequency of 1.12 injuries per million man-hours and a severity rate of 0.0067 per thousand man-hours worked. This is the best frequency rate ever recprded at the Plant. In 1954, the Plant also had only 1 lost time accident of 5 days duration but only 873,796 man-hours worked, giving a frequency of 1.14 and a severity of 0.0057. The frequency rate for 1956 has set a new goal for the men at the Plant to try and better during the coming years.

The U. S. and Lark Mine experienced 41 lost time accidents in 1956 while working 1,462,713¼ hours, with a resulting frequency rate of 28.03 and a severity rate of 11.31. The mine has had better safety records than this on several occasions in past years. The best frequency rate ever established was in 1955 when the frequency was 6.5 and the severity was 8.78.

King Mine made great safety strides during 1956 when only 20 lost time accidents occurred, six of which were of 5 days or less duration. The resulting frequency of 40.78 and severity of 1.17 is the best record ever established at the mine. In 1955 the frequency was 99.7 and the severity was 21.8.

The safety record for 1956 has now passed into history, but a new year lies ahead. Our safety experience of the past year proves beyond a shadow of a doubt that accidents need not happen and can be prevented. Remember, safety is an every day, every moment job. Vow now to do your part to prevent an injury to yourself and others.

CAUSES OF LOST-TIME ACCIDENTS

ROCK AND COAL FALLS

U. S. and Lark Mine		King Mine		Midvale Plant	
1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
16	4	4	15	0	0

HANDLING EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS

U. S. and Lark Mine		King Mine		Midvale Plant	
1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
7	0	4	10	0	1

DRILLS AND DRILLING

U. S. and Lark Mine		King Mine		Midvale Plant	
1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
6	0	0	1	0	0

HAULAGE AND COUPLING CARS

U. S. and Lark Mine		King Mine		Midvale Plant	
1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
4	1	0	4	0	0

SCRAPERS, TUGGERS, LOADERS, AND HOISTING

U. S. and Lark Mine		King Mine		Midvale Plant	
1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
3	2	0	1	0	0

CAUSES OF LOST-TIME ACCIDENTS

TRIPPING, SLIPPING AND FALLS

U. S. and Lark Mine		King Mine		Midvale Plant	
1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
3	2	2	1	0	0

HAND TOOLS

U. S. and Lark Mine		King Mine		Midvale Plant	
1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
1	0	1	2	0	0

FOREIGN BODIES IN EYES

U. S. and Lark Mine		King Mine		Midvale Plant	
1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
0	0	0	4	0	1

ELECTRIC FLASH AND SHOCK

U. S. and Lark Mine		King Mine		Midvale Plant	
1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
0	0	0	2	0	0

MISCELLANEOUS

U. S. and Lark Mine		King Mine		Midvale Plant	
1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955
1	0	4	3	1	1

Let's Stop Government Waste! . . .

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another $800 in hidden taxes. His total tax bill was nearly four times greater than he thought it was.

But this isn't all. The "national debt" of $274 billion dollars is a very real debt for which we, as citizens, are responsible. This debt amounts to $7,000 per average American family today. The interest we pay on it is greater than the whole cost of running the government twenty years ago.

Naturally, we must not forget that we all benefit from the federal government. Large sums must be spent for defense, health, highways, agriculture, and public works. None of us would want to cut out those things which the federal government can best do in the interest of all the people. Yet no one wants to pay for waste, overlapping and confusion if such things can be found and corrected.

Behind the work of the Hoover Commission lies the right of the American citizen. You have not only the right but the duty to ask whether you are getting the full value of 100 cents of every dollar you pay in taxes.

Hoover Commission Has The Answer

No one person can find the answer to this question. The federal government is much too big and too complex.

The first Hoover Commission (1947-49) made many tax-saving findings. Total economies of over $7 billion have so far resulted from its work. Accordingly Congress, in 1953, unanimously created the second Commission. Some 19 research committees, or "task forces," composed of over 200 voluntary experts, did the Commission's preliminary studies. To each of them Chairman Hoover gave these simple instructions:

"First get the facts. Both sides. No preconceptions. When you get all the facts, come up with whatever conclusions they induce."

Government Waste Found

It didn't take the Task Forces very long to find waste and duplication. Here are some examples:

Found by the Hoover Commission: The Army shipped 800,000 pounds of tomatoes from the West Coast to the East Coast at the same time that the Navy was shipping 775,000 pounds of tomatoes from the East Coast to the West Coast. (This is just like shipping 20 carloads of tomatoes from San Francisco to Sacramento by way of New York.)

A further find: The Army Signal Corps had an eight-year supply of flashlight batteries, which last two years. In a Naval repair depot, a 128-year supply of maple gear drives was found. (What mail order house or department store could stock comparable supplies and not face bankruptcy?)

Here are some more: The government writes enough letters (1 billion a year, cost $1 per letter) to reach from here to Moscow . . . Many government agencies borrow millions of dollars at three percent and lend them at two percent . . . Ping-pong balls shipped to Europe, dog food to Okinawa, and 25,000 pounds of cement to Bermuda by costly air transport . . . Hospitals half-empty while new hospitals rise nearby . . .

The complete list is much longer, but the point is clear. There's no doubt that "Big Government," expanded ten-fold in cost by two decades of depression, war, cold war, more war, and emergency, has been wasteful.

What can be done about it? The next article will treat this question.

LOOKING AHEAD

by Dr. George S. Benson
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WILL HUNGARY DIE IN VAIN?

What will be the attitude of the United States government towards the Soviet Union now that its true nature has been displayed in all its naked brutality in tragic Hungary? You and I and the other 168 million citizens will decide that question by doing something or not doing something about it. Here are some questions we first must ask ourselves: Should our governmental leaders continue to clink highball glasses with the Communists at gay festivities? Should our foreign policy be one of prostrating the U. S. before the Red Masters, pleading again for "co-existence?"

There is, of course, no difference in the Communism displayed in Hungary and the Communism that has been in action in all the subject nations year in and year out. The Communists' crushing of the long suffering people of Hungary was spectacular because for a brief period a true account of their actions got to the outside world. Identical methods of crushing out resistance have been used in all the other countries now controlled by the Reds.

The reign of terror conducted in China by the Moscow-trained Mao Tse-tung is clearly described in TIME Magazine last March. The article is entitled "High Tide of Terror" and is illustrated with photographs showing groups of Chinese men, women and children actually being shot in the backs of their heads by Communists wielding rifles and machine guns. These photographs of the dead lying sprawled on the fields of China create the same revulsion which one feels today when viewing photographs of the Communist butchery in the streets of Budapest.

"Foreign specialists, carefully sifting reports from refugees and other sources, estimate," said the TIME article, "that at least 20 million Chinese have been deprived of existence, done away with, or otherwise disposed of. This does not include 23 million believed to be held in forced labor camps. These are figures that stagger the imagination. In no previous war, revolution or human holocaust, either in the days of Tamerlane or in the time of Hitler, have so many people been destroyed in so short a period." When this was written the U. S. was helping to make Communist leaders look respectable.

The TIME article makes a significant observation: "Because it is hard for the mind to visualize so vast a slaughter in human terms, the Communists have been able to reap an advantage from the very size of their funeral pyre: many Westerners, finding the monstrous incredible, cannot see the blood on the hand of pretended friendship proffered by Chinese Communist Leader Mao Tso-tung."

Hungary, with all its terrible tragedy, could prove to be the turning point in Communism's relentless march toward world domination. If the political leaders and all the people of the free world now demonstrate the characteristics of morality in keeping with freedom, they can never again accept the leaders of Communism in the society of decent people. By condemning the Red monstrosity before the world, the boiling spirit of revolution throughout the whole Communist empire could be kept alive, and one day Communism would be crushed out. The voice of every American should be heard in the White House, in the State Department, and in the Congress.

SALT LAKE OFFICE

And A Good Time Was Had

A mutual spirit of goodwill and a turkey dinner with all the trimmings was the setting of a scene where, once again, the Salt Lake employees and retired employees congregated in the Accounting Department to usher in the holiday season and exchange good wishes.

Following socializing and refreshments, Mr. O. A. Glaeser spoke briefly. He thanked the employees for their contribution to the Company's accomplishments during 1956 and mentioned a few plans for 1957 operations. He read telegrams from Mr. Mulock, President of the Company, and other Company officials and friends. His greetings were followed by a few words and well wishes from Mr. R. N. Hunt.

At this point some name-calling began, and each name called received a surprise gift at the drawing sponsored by the recreation committee. Esther Meyer drew the lucky names from the box, and Committee Chairman John Anderson called them out.

The grand prize was awarded to a group of six people. Wrapped ever so neatly in a large box was a long sign with big letters, which read: "Congratulations to 1957 Committee". A quaint way of announcing that Don Nydegger, Evelyn Culmer, Jean Rutherford, Lee Johnson, Paul Hood, and Alex Vlandy were elected by popular vote to serve as next year's party planners.

After some further mingling and laughter, the party came to an early close as everyone headed homeward amidst falling snowflakes to join their families in planning the last bit of Christmas shopping and the commencement of holiday festivities.

Mr. O. A. Glaeser read telegrams from Mr. Mulock and other Company officials.

Recreation committee members for 1957, Don Nydegger, Evelyn Culmer, Paul Hood, Jean Rutherford, Alex Vlandy, and Lee Johnson.

Mr. R. N. Hunt spoke briefly, expressing best wishes for the season.

Left: This group of retired Salt Lake Office employees enjoyed meeting at the party. Right: The tables were decked out with delicious turkey, ham and all the trimmings.

Left: Esther Meyer draws another lucky name from the box held by John Anderson. Right: The food served by Distinctive Caterers appealed to everyone's appetite.

Winter Wanderers

How the time did fly for Miss Virginia Seare on her recent plane trip to Hawaii. Virginia headed for the Islands on December 15. She spent Christmas at Waikiki Beach and New Year's Eve in San Francisco, California. She reached her journey's end arriving home January 2.

Charlie Hoffman journeyed to East Chicago December 18 on business, and then to Logansport, Indiana, where he spent Christmas and New Year's with his son and family (a Lt. Commander in the Navy) and his daughter and son-in-law (a Captain in the Air Force). No wonder, with three grandsons and a six-month-old granddaughter doing their share to entertain "Grampa", he arrived home the night of January 2 exclaiming, "I had a WONDERFUL time!"

Come Again

We welcome back Don Jeffs, former employee in the Accounting Department, who returned to work January 7 after nearly two years affiliation with Uncle Sam's Infantry. Don is the son of Mel Jeffs who works in the Fuel Company office.

Virginia Magleby, former employee in the Industrial Relations Department, is filling in temporarily for Margaret Elliott. Miss Elliott is on leave of absence attending her mother who is seriously ill.

LEAD-ZINC SITUATION

Prices of lead and zinc continue unchanged from those reported in the December issue of *Smeltingco.*

According to the E&MJ Metal and Mineral Markets, lead sales in December and early January were considerably below those of recent months. Lead sales this period of the year are often reduced, but there are indications that this year's sales dropped below the seasonal average. Lead for gasoline production has been low for several months. At this time of the year production and sale of replacement batteries is low and will likely continue low until March or April.

The production of zinc in December by U. S. smelters hit a record, yet shipments to domestic industrial users were down about 3,000 tons from the 1955 monthly average. Many sellers believe the industry would be in serious difficulty if the government should stop its program of zinc buying.

LEAD ZINC PRICES

Lead (New York)	16.0¢
Zinc (East St. Louis)	13.5¢

(Source: EM&J Metal & Mineral Markets)

PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF LEAD AND ZINC (TONS) FOR OCTOBER

	LEAD	ZINC
Domestic production	31,374	48,594
Secondary (Resmelted scrap)	38,630	
Imports	33,114	78,261
Total available for consumption	103,118	126,855
Consumption	110,100	94,777

(Source: United States Bureau of Mines)

U.S. and LARK MINE

Mrs. Paul Lyon, nee Gayle Kidder.

Darrell and Lary Walker and the 50-inch lynx they bagged while rabbit hunting.

Newlyweds

Miss Gayle Kidder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kidder, was recently married to Paul H. Lyon. The rites were solemnized in the Salt Lake L. D. S. Temple. Following the wedding ceremony, the newlyweds were feted at a wedding luncheon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kidder in West Jordan. In the evening the young couple was honored at a wedding reception held in the West Jordan Stake Center. The bridegroom is a former student of the Utah State Agricultural College and the University of Utah, and also completed an L. D. S. mission in eastern Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Braulio Pacheco of West Jordan recently announced the marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth, to Johnny Singleton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Singleton, of Salt Lake City. The wedding ceremony was performed December 28 at the home of the bridegroom's parents in Salt Lake.

Successful Hunt

Darrell and Larry Walker, brothers who work as timberman and mucking machine operator respectively at the U. S. and Lark Mine, recently enjoyed a successful rabbit hunt up near Kemmerer, Wyoming. While hunting snowshoe rabbits they spotted a lynx. The cat was felled by a .22 rifle and measured 50 inches from tip to tip. Incidentally, they also bagged twelve of the big, white bunnies.

Express Condolences

Friends and fellow workmen extend their sympathy to the family of Clyde Phelps, U. S. and Lark Mine Lessee, who recently passed away.

Sincere sympathy is also extended to Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Pedersen and family on the death of Mrs. Pedersen's sister.

Committee members in charge of the Christmas Party were Bob Sonne, Carol Steel, RaNae Groves, Lila Dahlstrom, Ted Blaney, Chris Bristol, Perl Wolcott and Herman Suter.

Festive Fun

A holiday party was held December 31st by the salaried employees of the U. S. and Lark Mine. Facilities of the Lark Lions Club were made available to the group for the festive party. The planning of the activities was under the direction of committee chairman, Robert Sonne, with the able assistance of committee members, Carol Steel, RaNae Groves, Herman Suter, Pedro Denton, Perl Wolcott, Chris Bristol, Lila Dahlstrom, Robert Foist and Ted Blaney. All who attended had a wonderful time and were high in their praise of the committee who did such a fine job. Liquid refreshments, food and hospitality were available in generous portions. Retired salaried employees of the mine and several Salt Lake Office employees were special guests.

"Now, Eliza, as I understand this case you and Rastus had a drunken altercation and you were kicked in the ensuing rumpus?"

"No, sah, Mister Jedge! Ah was kicked in de stummick!"

Mrs. McTavish looked out the window as the family was going in to dinner and wailed, 'Och, Jon, here comes company, and I bet they haven't eaten yet."

"Quick!" ordered the Scotsman. "Everybody out on the porch with toothpicks."

A good time was had by everyone attending the Christmas party.

Youngsters from the Lark Elementary School presented a Christmas program for their parents.

Christmas Program Presented By Lark Children

A Christmas program, featuring children from each grade in the Lark Elementary School, was presented for the P-T.A. on December 20. Directing the program was Lark School Principal Ballard. Assisted by each class teacher, the children sang Christmas carols and presented individual and group recitations. At the conclusion of the program, refreshments were served to the parents by their children.

Christmas Vacationers

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence L. Elmer spent the Christmas week visiting with their son, Donald, and his family in Norwalk, California. The trip was especially enjoyable since the Elmers were traveling in a brand new '57 Ford which Santa Claus delivered to them two weeks early. Rounding out their trip, the Elmers returned by way of Arizona and the Grand Canyon.

Stork News

Mr. and Mrs. William Hanna, Jr., are proud of their first born, a boy, who arrived November 29th. They selected the name Larry Kendall.

It's a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Baughman, born December 9. This is the Baughman's second child. The new youngster was named John Virgil.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harvey announce the birth of a baby daughter on December 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rager became grandparents again on December 17th when the stork left a 7-pound 3-ounce baby boy at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Rager.

Engagement Announced

Carol Steel, Clerk-Typist at the mine, was all smiles recently when she came to work sporting a beautiful diamond ring. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Steel announced Carol's engagement to Royal Michaelson December 20. The bridegroom-to-be is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Michaelson of Midvale. As yet, no definite date has been set for the marriage.

Enviable Service Record

Four veteran employees, Wallace McNamara, Clarence Cushing, Wash Boberg and William Newman.

An enviable service record has been established by four clerks in the main office of the Midvale Plant. To date these men have a combined record of 146 years of service with the Company or an average of over 36 years per man. Wallace J. McNamara is the "granddaddy" of the group with 39 years, 6 months service. Following close behind is Clarence A. Cushing, who has worked at the Plant during the past 38 years 10 months. Washington O. Boberg has 35 years 11 months to his credit, and the last man of the foursome, William C. Newman, has 31 years 11 months of service.

Smeltermen Enjoy Holiday Season In California

George Warner, James Steadman, Wallace Millerberg, Denzil Watts and W. O. "Wash" Boberg are some of the Midvale Plant employees who spent the holidays in California. Most of the vacationers were busy visiting with their children, relatives or friends. One of the most important events, however, was the annual Rose Parade, which was seen by all the vacationers except the Bobergs.

New Employee

Miss Afton Lundskog, new stenographer at the Midvale Plant.

Miss Afton Lundskog was employed at the Midvale Plant January 3, 1957 as a stenographer. Afton graduated from Murray High School, after which she worked at the Telephone Business Office for 2½ years. Prior to joining the Company, Afton also attended the University of Utah where she was majoring in interior decorating. On December 24, Afton received a diamond from Duane Richardson, assistant scale inspector at the Plant. The young couple have set March 8 as their wedding date. Afton enjoys practically all sports; however, skiing is presently her favorite.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ostler welcomed a baby girl into their family on December 29. In addition to the happiness the new arrival brings with her, she was also a belated Christmas present for her "Pop" in the form of a tax deduction for the year.

The most important Christmas present for Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Lester was a baby boy. The new little bundle of joy arrived at the Lester home on Christmas Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Paul are announcing the arrival of little Daniel William, who was born on January 6.

HIAWATHA...

Hiawatha School Presents Christmas Program

This year the elementary school planned its Christmas activities somewhat different from previous years. Rather than preparing a program on a school basis, each class planned its own individual program. Using the theme, "A Christmas Fantasy", the first graders, under the direction of Mrs. Parmley, enjoyed their songs and dances very much. The second and third grades, directed by Mrs. Burmester, presented a Christmas play in which the children dressed as elves, candy canes, lollipops, bells and clowns. In their story, the children portrayed how all these things have an important part to play as Santa makes his visits on Christmas. With the theme, "Deck The Halls", the 4th and 5th grades, who were directed by Mrs. Hampshire, prepared a program which included a processional song by the group; a solo, "Oh Holy Night", by Stanton Finley with the background music by the class, and a choral reading by the group entitled, "The Year Without a Santa Claus". Mrs. Garber's 5th and 6th grade group presented a play, "A World Conference In Santa Claus Land", which was a history of Christmas as it is celebrated in other lands. The students portrayed these foreign Christmas customs both in dialogue and song.

Lyle Asay Appears On Television

One of the first residents of Hiawatha to appear on television was Lyle G. Asay. Lyle did his part to entertain the people of Utah when he appeared on Channel 2 as a participant in Midvale's Harvest Day Talent Quest on January 6th. He was competing for a chance to appear on Ted Mack's nationally televised Amateur Hour from New York. Lyle did a series of imitations on the show.

Santa Makes Rounds In Hiawatha

In the warm spirit of the occasion, old St. Nick made his calls to each home in Hiawatha on Christmas, delivering candy and nuts to all the small fry. This friendly community project was under the sponsorship of the local Town Board. Santa's "sleigh" was in the form of Hiawatha's fire truck on which Santa, in all his regalia, was riding. The American Legion Post of Hiawatha also cooperated in this activity by distributing candy to all the homes.

Engagements Announced

Jack McKinnon was recently engaged to Miss Norma Barnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Barnett of Hiawatha. Although a definite date has not yet been set, they plan to be married in the spring when school is out.

Clifford Woodruff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Woodruff, gave a diamond to Miss Louise Taylor of Price. The engagement took place on Christmas Day. No plans have been made for their marriage as yet.

Mike Kolovich also gave a diamond ring to Miss Phyllis Worthen on Christmas Eve. Phyllis is a resident of Price. As yet they have not made known the details of their marriage.

Clare Rager

Home from Military Service

A welcome visitor during the Christmas holidays at the Earl Rager home was their youngest son, Clare. Clare entered Uncle Sam's Army on November 28, 1956, and has been stationed in Fort Lewis, Washington where he has been taking basic training.

Robert H. Sonne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sonne, spent the Christmas and New Year's holidays with his family at Lark. Robert H. is a proud member of the Marine Corps. He has been stationed at the Marine Training Center in San Diego, California where he recently completed basic training. Upon completion of his holiday leave, Robert H. reported back to Camp Pendleton, California for assignment and duty.

Leaves Company

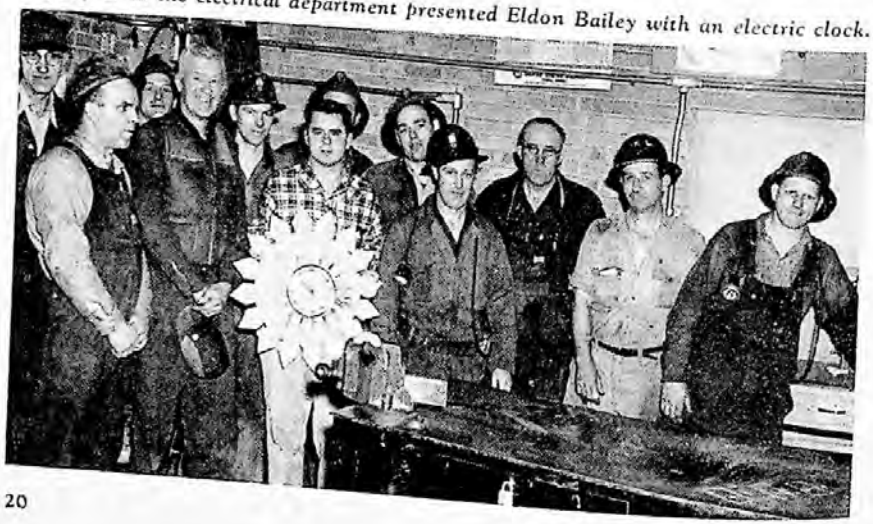
Eldon Bailey, Chief Electrician at the U. S. and Lark Mine, left the employ of the Company on December 31 to join the staff of Western Consolidated Pipe Division of U. S. Steel at Geneva as an electrical engineer. An electric clock was presented to Eldon by employees in the electrical department as a farewell gesture, who extended Eldon every good wish for future success in his new undertaking.

A woman bought a $300 suit at Hattie Carnegie's and was appalled to see what appeared to be her suit at Ohrbach's for $332.50. She rushed right back to Carnegie's and told them about it.

"But Madam," said the saleswoman, "the Ohrbach copy probably wasn't $100% virgin wool."

"At these prices I should care what the sheep do at night?" screamed the customer.

Employees in the electrical department presented Eldon Bailey with an electric clock.



MIDVALE PLANT

Guy Anderson checks the geranium plants growing in small window boxes in the Assay Office.

Geranium Fancier

Guy Anderson brought a touch of "home" to the Assay Office recently when he planted some tiny geranium slips in small window boxes. The slips have sprouted and are growing rapidly, and according to "Andy", they will be ready for transplanting in the spring. He plans to transplant some of the plants in pots for the Assay Office windows and the remainder will be planted in his home garden. Each summer, Guy has several hundred pink and red geraniums in the flower beds surrounding his home.

Home Decorating Winners Announced

Again this year the home of William J. Landers, timekeeper at the Midvale Plant, was judged one of the five most outstanding in Midvale during the Christmas lighting contest. (See December *Smelting-co.*) The competition in this year's annual "City of Lights" contest, sponsored by the local Chamber of Commerce, was even keener than in past years. However, Bill succeeded in winning his second consecutive prize. Perhaps the answer to Bill's success lies in the fact that he doesn't decorate just to win, but for the added spirit and warmth and happiness that it brings to his family and friends who drop in to visit during the holiday season.

Frank Bullock's home was also selected as one of the five most outstanding homes in this contest. Frank is a leaser at the U. S. and Lark Mine. Both Frank and Bill received trophies for their ingenuity and artistry in decorating their homes and in addition, they and all the members of their families received free guest tickets to the Burke Theater.

Wedding Bells

Clarence LeFevre, unloader in the Sampling Mill, married Ora Bryant December 10. The wedding ceremony was performed in Elko, Nevada. Following their marriage and a short honeymoon, the newlyweds returned to make their home in Midvale.

FOR THE LADIES

BRINGING A TOUCH OF FAR-OFF ISLANDS TO AMERICAN DINNER TABLES

One of the things which keeps meals interesting is to include a variety of different meats — beef one night, pork another, lamb and veal occasionally. Serving meals the same way time after time can also become monotonous to both the family and the cook. Pineapple, for instance, can add superb flavor to otherwise commonplace entrees. And, of course, it's always fun to cook and serve something entirely different.

For a top-notch ground lamb dish, serve Lamb-Pineapple Crowns. The well-seasoned patties with a sliced-pineapple topping make an interesting dish for a company dinner.

LAMB-PINEAPPLE CROWNS

1½ lbs. ground lamb
1½ tsp. salt
2 tsp. grated onion
1 minced clove garlic
2 Tbsp. minced parsley
1 egg
Seasoned salt
Nutmeg
4 slices bacon
4 slices canned pineapple

Mix lamb with salt, onion, garlic, parsley and egg. Sprinkle generously with seasoned salt and nutmeg. Form into 4 large patties. Lay each on slice of bacon, then bring ends of bacon up over top of patties. Fasten with pick. Broil on each side until browned and bacon is crisp, about 6 to 10 minutes total. Place pineapple ring on top of each pattie and broil until heated through and glazed. Makes 4 servings.

You will agree that pork and pineapple make the best of partners once you've tasted Pineapple Pork Chops. A galaxy of good things go into the stuffing for seasoning — chopped parsley, ginger, marjoram, onion and celery — with pineapple chunks added for a fruity flavor.

PINEAPPLE PORK CHOP ROAST

6 lean pork chops
Salt, pepper, paprika
2 Tbsp. butter or margarine
1 cup chopped onion
½ cup chopped celery
3½ cups lightly toasted day-old bread crumbs
2 cups canned pineapple tidbits, drained
2 Tbsp. chopped parsley
½ tsp. ginger
½ tsp. marjoram
¾ tsp. salt
¼ tsp. black pepper

Trim any excess fat from chops; sprinkle with salt, pepper, paprika. Brown lightly in greased frying pan. Remove. Add butter. Saute onion and celery until soft but not brown. Pour over bread crumbs. Stir in drained pineapple, parsley, spices, salt and pepper. Stand chops in loaf pan, fat side up, with stuffing between each. Hold chops together with 2 metal skewers. Bake in slow oven (300 degrees) 1½ hours. Makes 6 servings.

WORDS OF WISDOM

Federal aid is that system whereby money taken from the people looks like a gift when it is handed back.

SAFETY RECORD

December, 1956

STATISTICS

Number of Lost Time Accidents

1956—	December	Year to Date
Midvale Plant	0	1
U. S. and Lark Mine	4	41
U. S. Fuel Company	2	20

1955—	December	Year to Date
Midvale Plant	0	3
U. S. and Lark Mine	1	9
U. S. Fuel Company	4	44

DECEMBER INJURIES

Midvale Plant

None.

U. S. and Lark Mine

As a machiner was climbing up a ladder, the ladder slipped, causing him to fall and fracture a bone in his left heel.

A timberman was helping remove bits from a drill rod when a jackleg, which had been leaning against the timber, fell, striking and contusing the back of his right leg.

A cage rider was lifting a 10 x 10 timber from a cage when he strained his groin.

As a machiner looked up a raise, a small rock fell, striking and injuring his right eye.

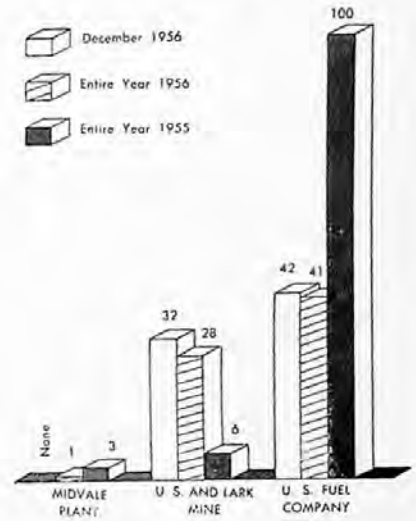
U. S. Fuel Company

A Joy operator was struck by coal when a bounce occurred, fracturing his toe and bruising his right leg and hip.

A roof bolter suffered multiple contusions and abrasions when he was struck by a coal bounce.

ACCIDENT BAROMETER

Rate per million man hours



THE LITTLE THINGS

He caught his hand, a little thing,
He hardly felt the sting.
He could not stop for iodine,
So five weeks in a sling.

He ran a splinter in his knee,
Why, what is that, I beg?
He couldn't stop to fool with that.
The doc cut off his leg.

He got a cinder in his eye;
Removed it with a knife.
He goes around half-blinded now
But glad they saved his life.

We're always hoping for the best
When we should fear the worst.
It's best to tend the little things,
Observing "Safety First".

NO BETTER WORDS TO DESCRIBE "BROTHERHOOD"

. . . that people shall live as one family of man

BROTHERHOOD WEEK

February 17-24